

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-10 (canceled)

11. (Previously presented) A key switch comprising:

a plurality of key tops made of a thermoplastic resin and arranged in a key plane;

a plurality of extruded parts formed integrally with said plurality of key tops, said extruded parts being made of a thermoplastic elastomer;

a U-shaped bridging member connecting said plurality of extruded parts and said plurality of key tops, said U-shaped bridging member being made of a thermoplastic elastomer and arranged in a bridge plane substantially parallel to said key plane;

a housing, said U-shaped member being connected to said housing.

12. (Currently amended) ~~A~~The key switch in accordance with claim 11, wherein:

a U-shape of said U-shaped bridging member is arranged in said bridge plane.

13. (Currently amended) ~~A~~The key switch in accordance with claim 12, wherein:

a base of said U-shape is connected to said housing;

ends of legs of said U-shape are connected to said extruded parts.

14. (Currently amended) ~~A~~The key switch in accordance with claim 11, wherein:

said U-shaped bridging member connects to two extruded parts.

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16. (Currently amended) ~~A~~The key switch in accordance with claim 11, further comprising:  
decorative layers formed on surfaces of said plurality of key tops.

17. (Currently amended) ~~A~~The key switch in accordance with claim 11, wherein:  
each of said plurality of key tops are bowl-shaped;  
each of said plurality of extruded parts are arranged inside one of said bowl-shaped key tops  
and have a portion extending away from a respective said key top.

18-26 (Canceled)